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SCHOOL REPORT

The third month of the Fairview school closed January 1, 1915, with an enrollment of 17. W. A. Hively, teacher—Those neither absent nor tardy during the month were Hulda Sharp, Viola Johnson, Laura Morgan, Norman Sharp, Porter Sharp, Ward Sharp, Emerson Sharp, Randal Sharp, French Johnson, Reed Johnson, Alva Johnson.

We cordially invite the patrons to visit our school at any time and see what we are trying to do.

Report of the Mace school for month ending January 8, 1915. P. W. Crickard, teacher. Number of pupils enrolled 17. Pupils present every day; Forrest Mace, Chester Mace, Bryan Louk, John Louk, Ona Louk, Deisie Louk. All are cordially invited to visit our school.

Honor Roll for the fourth month of the Dunmore Graded School.

Room 1—A. B. Hoke, teacher. Maud Galford, Margaret Pritchard, Lottie Edmiston, Grace Curry, Jean Pritchard, Dorsie Geiger, Maybell Galford, Kyle Curry, Mollie McLaughlin, Nelia McLaughlin, Innie Shinaberry.

Room 2—Mrs. Verdine B. Mann, teacher.—Goldie Shinaberry, Clarissa Taylor, Veda Carpenter, Leta McLaughlin, Genevieve Noel, Mabel Smith, Nellie Galford, Lena Duffey, Kemp Taylor, Edwin Noel, Laddie Yago, James Yago, Carlon Pritchard, Marvin McLaughlin, Claude Carpenter.

School Department

READING CIRCLE

The Greenbank Reading Circle for the Upper District will meet at Durbin, Saturday, February 6, beginning at 10-30 a. m. The program is as follows:

Reading, Miss Clara Rightmire
Literature in the Lower Grades, Miss Stromsteadt

Literature in Upper Grades, G. B. Lanham
School Library, C. F. Hull
Grammar, E. E. Lester
Language, Miss Madge Arbogast
Composition, Miss Emma Howard
Means of Self Education, Miss Ruth Wolfe

These subjects are all taken from Barnes' "English in the Country School." Come out, teachers, and help make this an interesting meeting.

Mrs E. K. Norvitt, Chairman
L. McGraw, Secretary.

READING CIRCLE

The fifth meeting of the Reading Circle of Levelton District will be held at Hillsboro, Saturday, February 13, 2 p. m. A study will be made of chapters 13, 14 and 15. The subjects treated are physiology and hygiene, agriculture and subject matter. The following assignments are made for the meeting:

The relative importance of anatomy, physiology and hygiene, J. H. Lantz

The sanitary problems of the school house and how to meet them, T. A. Bruffay

How can we carry the health crusade into the homes of the children, Miss Margaret LaRue.

The value of a study of agriculture, Clifton E. Gurd
How secure data and materials for study, Edmund D. McGarry
Practical problems agriculture, class essay and in solving, J. B. Grimes

Describe the workings of an agricultural club, Ezra Wooddell
The relation of teacher to subject matter and to pupil, Miss Amy Hall

A comparison of the utilitarian and cultural values, Miss Minnie J. Merrells
What principles should guide in the organization of a course of study, A. W. Hill.
W. E. Scott, Chairman.

Honor Roll for Stony Bottom school for fourth month,—Annie L. Sullivan, teacher. Mabel Beverage, Mary Bailey, Maud Geiger, Marie Geiger, Mabel Meeks, Mary Carpenter, Trudie Shinaberry, Genevieve Shinaberry, Eula Tallman, Marvin McLaughlin, Edgar Shinaberry, Dennis Tallman. Per cent of attendance 96.
Lower room.—Olive N. Hamrick, teacher. Sterl McLaughlin, Hunter Shinaberry, Gebhart Geiger, Carl Shields, Stanley McLaughlin, Ellen Townsend, Ruby

Bailey, Della Shields.

Report of Pine Grove school for fourth month ending January 22.—E. C. Smith, teacher. Cecil Currys, Allen Cochran, Dennis Barlow, Ward Barlow, Guy Barlow, Gay Sharp, Lilly Sharp, Bettie Clay Sharp.

I am requested by the board of education of Levelton district to say to the teachers of that district that the Rules and Regulations mentioned at the county institute and that should be placed in the hands of each teacher by the secretary, are to be carried out in detail by the teachers of the district, and that failure to do so will be considered a noncompliance with their contract. The county financial secretary will sign no illegal order and I therefore notify the teachers and all other persons receiving school orders that I shall hold all orders that I consider illegal and shall not issue or counter-sign any order that is not according to contract or law.
B. B. Williams, Co. Supt.

To Teachers and others Interested:

Some very important school legislation is pending before this session of the Legislature. You are requested to write your Representative and Senator and any other member of the Legislature that may be in a position to help get any of the following bills through this session:

1. High School Bill making it necessary for the state to pay more for the support of the classified High Schools, or the full amount mentioned in the law.

2. Certificate Bill revising completely the schedule of certificates issued at this time and in my opinion one of the most important bills considered at this time.

3. Teachers' Pension Law for the old teachers rendering at least 25 or 30 years of continued service in the school room. This is considered a very legitimate and necessary.

4. Compulsory Attendance Law making it necessary to attend five days in every week or all the time for the full term, and extending the age limits to sixteen. Then there are quite a few more bills before the legislature such as "Clerical aid for the County Financial Secretary," "One trustee and about all his power vested in the board of education," "The County the Unit of Taxation," and "Free Text Books," and quite a budget of legislation that if passed will revolutionize the whole school system. You are requested to do what you can to get into law what you think of these that will help the school system. I can in a few days tell you more definitely just what is going to be done and what bills are being considered by the House. Others are only in

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MOTHER AND CHILDREN BURNED

One of the saddest occurrences in the whole history of the Greenbrier Valley was the burning to death of Mrs. George Doyle, her little daughter aged nine, and her son aged four, when their home at Cass was burned early Wednesday morning. She and her husband and their four children were asleep when Mr. Doyle was aroused by smoke in his room and found the whole house to be on fire. He roused his wife and told her to hand the children to him out of a window which was some distance from the ground, the way through the door being cut off by fire. He let two of the children out of the window and then he jumped out, but his wife was overcome by the heat and could not hand out the other children nor come herself. Before being overcome she had gotten the children to the window. By the time Mr. Doyle had gotten a ladder to the window the building was entirely on fire and he was severely burned trying to get his wife and children. When the fire hose had come, little could be done other than save the adjoining buildings.

Mrs. Doyle was about thirty years of age. She was a daughter of P. S. Cutlip, of Riverside, and had been married to Mr. Doyle about ten years. She was a good, kind christian woman. The burial will be at the Cochran graveyard today. Services to be conducted by Rev. J. M. Walker, and the funeral will be in charge of the Royal Neighbor Lodge.

Mr. Doyle was brought to the Marlinton Hospital this morning. The house was a one story, four roomed cottage, and belonged to Dr. J. W. Price, of Marlinton.

GEORGE K. GAY

By Rev. D. C. HEDRICK

Geo. K. Gay entered into rest at his home on the morning of October 16, 1914, aged 65 years, five months, and six days. He was born May 10, 1849, at Doe Hill, Highland county, Virginia. When a small boy he moved with his parents to Peachontes county, and in 1892 he moved to Buckhannon. On October 21, 1875, he was married to Mary Alice Barlow and to this union were born six children, Mrs. Lottie H. Anderson, Hoxie C., Henry R., Mrs. Clara R. Hill, Mrs. Grace D. Sexton and Miss Mabel E., all of whom survive him and all were here to pay the last tribute to his memory.

Fifty years ago at a revival at Old Stony Creek Church in Peachontes county, he was "gloriously saved" and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was a faithful christian and taught a full salvation—saved to the uttermost—to all around him. No wonder he sang "Saved by Grace" as long as he had strength to sing. His was a bright and happy christian life. I was in his home during his long illness more often than any other friend and I never heard him murmur or complain. I never saw a more patient sufferer and his sufferings were terrible. Oh, those long nights of agony that he endured with such christian fortitude! Nothing but the grace of God could have sustained him so nobly. He was so devoted to and thoughtful for his wife who had been an invalid for three years. In the midst of his sufferings he was thinking of her and wanting that as little pain and sorrow should come to her as could be avoided.

He so often praised God for such kind and loving children. They were so devoted and tender with him and he was so appreciative for it all. His great desire was that their lives might be such as would lead them to the Heavenly mansions where he was surely going. When he came back from the hospital in Baltimore where they told him that his case was beyond their skill, he said to me: "I have put my case in the hands of the Great Physician and whatever he wills is right." A few days before his home going he said, "I have tried to live the 23rd Psalm," and I repeated it, he kept shouting Gods praises with his face just beaming. Oh, for more of such lives! Then when death comes it will only be "the valley of the shadow of death"—just a falling asleep in Jesus with a sweet smile on the face; such a calm and peaceful going was his.

He left three sisters, Mrs. Ruth J. Moore, Mrs. Martha Baxter, Mrs. Josephine Mann, and one brother A. R. Gay. His prayer for them was that they might live true christian lives and so be prepared to meet God at his coming. He loved to be in the house of God here, and especially in the class meetings. He had not been able to be there for a long time, but he is now in a love feast with the dear Redeemer and his dear ones gone before and were waiting for him on the other shore. Oh, what a blessed reunion! May our dear heavenly Father give peace and comfort to his bereaved friends, as He alone can.

R. THE OLDEST POSTMASTER

By Andrew Price in the Postmaster Everywhere.

We constantly see claims advanced as to the oldest and youngest postmaster and other claims to notoriety. I was in the low lands not long since and I heard of the claim of a postmaster who had been appointed by President Grant. He allowed he was certainly the oldest postmaster in the point of service in West Virginia, if not in the whole world. But to these claims we had to say that he was a mere youngster to one that we have in Pocahontas county, West Virginia, who was appointed by President Pierce, in 1856, and who has recently been reappointed for another term of four years.

The postmaster for whom we advance the claim is George P. Moore, of Edray, West Virginia. His term of service has suffered one break. He was deprived of the office for a year or two during President Cleveland's first term, but with the exception of this short hiatus, his service has been continuous.

I wrote him to send me his first commission and he did so and on the faded paper, I read as follows:

E PLURIBUS UNUM

James Campbell, Postmaster General of the United States of America, to all who shall see these presents, Greeting:

Whereas, On the 5th day of August, 1856, George P. Moore was appointed postmaster at Edray in the county of Pocahontas, State of Virginia; and whereas he did on the 5th day of August, 1856, execute a bond, and has taken the oath of office as required by law.

Now Know Ye, That, confiding in the integrity, ability and punctuality of the said George P. Moore, I do commission him a postmaster, authorized to execute the duties of that office at Edray aforesaid, according to the laws of the United States, and the regulations of the postoffice department: To hold the said office of postmaster with all the powers, privileges, and emoluments to the same belonging during the pleasure of the Postmaster-General of the United States.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the postoffice department at Washington City, the tenth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty-first.

JAMES CAMPBELL.

FIRE AT CASS

Two buildings belonging to Max Curry, burned down Wednesday afternoon, and a barber shop of J. W. Herbert badly damaged. Damage was done to buildings of J. W. Brill, Finger Seigle Co., and Jacob Cooper which stood on the opposite side of the street. The fire originated in the second story of the building occupied by Curry's store, and as a residence. The adjoining building belonging to Mr. Curry was occupied by the Cass Jewelry Store, a pool room and as a residence. The loss may possibly reach \$20,000, partially covered by insurance.

A SAD OCCURRENCE

On the morning of February 3, 1915, at 3:30 o'clock, Geo. W. Doyle and family, living at Cass, were awakened and found their house on fire and to their horror the flames were sweeping the walls of the room they were sleeping in. Mr. Doyle was sleeping with two children and his wife was sleeping with two in the same room.

They both got up about the same time. Mr. Doyle being alarmed most overcome with fire and smoke grabbed the two children out of the bed farthest away from the window, and with not a moment to lose, jumped out of the window, telling his wife to follow him and that he would save the other two children. Instead of jumping out on the porch as he thought, he got to the wrong window and jumped eight feet. As he jumped he heard his wife say that she would die with her children. He grabbed a ladder which was near by and got back to the window, but in jumping so far he fell and dislocated one arm so he could not use it, and as the flames were then sweeping through the window it was impossible to save his wife and children. His sister, Miss Ada Doyle, living nearby was the first to arrive to witness this sad scene. In a short time a throng of people had gathered, but nothing could be done then but to keep the fire from the adjoining building, which is a very large building, belonging to Miss Ada Doyle. The house burned was a four room cottage belonging to Dr. J. W. Price. How the fire started is yet unknown.

The following day Mr. Doyle was brought to the Marlinton Hospital with wounded hands and feet but in a few days was able to be out. His two little girls, Ethel and Claris, which he saved from the fire, are now in the Marlinton Hospital being treated for pneumonia which was brought on by exposure on the night of the fire. The little girls are getting a long very nicely.

Mrs. Doyle was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Outlip, formerly of Lobelia, and at the time of her death was 24 years of age.

Instead of Mrs. Doyle being in

she was in good health at the time

of her death.

Mr. Doyle moved to Cass last May, and has been a partner in business there with his sister, Miss Ada.

This sad accident has shocked the whole community and Mr. Doyle and relatives have the sympathy of everyone wherever they are known.

The bodies of Mrs. Jessie M. Doyle, her little daughter, Charlotte Edith, aged 8 years, and little son, Clarence Jolson, aged two years and nine months, were placed in one casket, and in charge of the Royal Neighbor Lodge of Marlinton, were borne to the Cochran cemetery, and there laid to rest to await the call of God.

Mrs. Doyle was a good, earnest christian woman, and a member of the Missionary Baptist Church.

Thus has closed the life of a devoted wife, a dear, good mother and a loving sister. Also it has closed the lives of two bright, intelligent little children.

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HILLSBORO HIGH

Dr. G. W. Banks, pastor of the
First Methodist Church, South, of
Charleston, will preach the com-
mencement sermon before the sen-
ior class on Sunday, May 30, at
10:30 a. m. in the Methodist Epis-
copal church, south. In the even-
ing he will deliver his lecture
"Through Palistine on Horse
back."

Mr. J. Frank Marab, Secretary
of the State Board of Regents,
will deliver the commencement
address on Monday, May 31, at
8 p. m. in the high school audi-
rium. A scholarship has been
offered to the senior class by the
Washington and Lee University
of Lexington, Va. Another schol-
arship has been offered to the
girls of the senior class, providing
expenses to either a state normal
school, or the West Virginia
University.

The Hillsboro High School was
placed on the list of accredited
high schools of the Southern States
by the Southern States Committee
at their last meeting in Charlot-
ville, Va.

Dr. Allen, the president of
Davis and Elkins College, will ad-
dress the High School body with-
in the next few days.

With the Christmas money the
following pictures were purchased
Hoffmann's Head of Christ and
The Matterhorn.

The Shakespeare society has
purchased The Windmill; the
Browning society, Jones' War-
der's Hope. Both will be hung
in their society hall.

The officers of the senior class
are William Cackley, president;
Ulric Grimes, vice-president; Hal-
lie Burr, secretary and Ruth
Kline, treasurer.

On Friday the 19th Hinton H.
S. girls played an interesting and
lively game of basket ball with the
Hillsboro high girls. The score
was 16 to 10 in favor of the home
team. The line up was:

Hinton—Bess Lane, Nell Saun-
ders, Litzinger, Paulser, Zora Hunt.
Hillsboro—Nora Kidd, Lacy
McLaughlin, Ruth Kline, Esther
Hefner, Marie Kirk, Suba, Eva

month:—Eva Beard, Hallie Burr,
Bradford Grimes, Marion Hill,
Nora Kidd, Ruth Kline, Inez Low-
ance, Corneilus Marshall, Lucy
McLaughlin, Polly Sydenstricker
Orlena Vaughan, Carl Bruffey,
Ralph Buckley, Alvin Burr, Wil-
liam Cackley, Glenn Clark, Mar-
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Grimes, Ross Hufford, Henry
Kelley, Irs Lowance, Charles
Marshall, Bascom Kirk, Sherman
Moore, Julian Nottingham, Guy
Overholt, Lynn Overholt, Moffett
Tolley, Albert VanReenan, Law-
rence Warren, Ernest White,
Walter Williams, Hubert Kidd,
George Scott. Percent of atten-
dance 98.

WEST VIRGINIA'S NEW INSANITY LAW

Full Information Concerning the Revision of the New Act Concerning the State Hospitals for the Insane Which Goes Into Effect on May 21st.

(Printed by authority of the West Virginia State Board of Control.)

Among the important new laws enacted at the late regular session of the Legislature, and which will go into effect on the 21st of May, is chapter fifty-one of the Acts of 1915, which revises the laws of this state concerning the insane and the three state hospitals devoted to their care and maintenance. This act repeals chapter 38A, as printed in the Code of 1906 and of 1913, and completely revises chapter 38 of the Code proper. The change in the law was very greatly needed, as it was to quote from high authority, "antiquated and contradictory."

The new law changes the names of our three hospitals for the insane, and hereafter the institution at Weston will be called the Weston State Hospital for the Insane; the Virginia Hospital for the Insane, and the institution at Spencer will be hereafter known as the Spencer State Hospital for the Insane; and the second hospital for the insane, at Huntington, which was formerly known as the Home for Incurables, will be hereafter known as Huntington State Hospital.

Each of these institutions remains under the control and management of the State Board of Control; but many of the old cast-iron features of the law have been eradicated, and the governing Board has been given liberty, by the enactment of rules and regulations, to meet new developments and keep up with the progress of the age, and yet its power has been properly restricted.

Among the powers given to the governing board is that of dividing patients into classes for admission, so that if there should be a shortage of rooms in these institutions, harmless and incurable patients may be returned to their relatives or to their counties, in order to make room for acute and curable cases. The Governor and the State Board are each given authority to have any one of said hospitals impounded by experts at any time they may think necessary.

One of the greatest changes made by the new law is that respecting the manner of holding inquisitions on persons suspected of being insane. The present law leaves this important matter to judges of the county and circuit courts. Following the method in other states, this new act creates in each county a Commission of Lunacy. This commission consists of the President of the County Court, the Clerk of the County Court, and the Prosecuting Attorney of the county. Any case of insanity brought before this commission for examination, which hears all pertinent evidence and is to be assisted in each case by two regular physicians, each of whom is required to make a separate examination of the patient, and report on insanity. The commission will meet annually, at the county seat, but may meet at the residence of the insane person or some other place, at the condition of the suspected person requires. The members of the commission are to be paid salary or wages, and are to be paid merely the expenses incurred while acting as members of the commission. The President of the County Court is the President of the commission, and the Clerk of the County Court is the Clerk of the commission, and the Clerk will keep a full record of the proceedings in each case. The idea of the change is to prevent the "railroading" of persons into our insane asylums who are not insane, and to break down the practice of sending persons to these institutions to be supported at the expense of the taxpayers of

the state because their relatives want to get rid of them. If the County Commission, composed of the two physicians and the county judge, upon the evidence offered, find that the person suspected is insane and ought to be treated in a hospital, they will commit him; but upon the trial before the commission he shall be allowed by a third person, who will see that he has a fair hearing.

Before the person committed by the County Commission can be registered as a patient in any of the hospitals he is to have an examination by the superintendent and the County Commission, and there is now a double check upon the commission, who will begin pass upon his sanity, and if he is insane will detain him in the institution, and if he is not insane will return him to the county. Another excellent feature of the new law is that it provides that persons who are committed to the State Hospital for the Insane, or sent to a hospital, it is of the most importance that an insane person should receive proper treatment at the earliest possible moment. It is a great mistake for friends and relatives of insane to keep them at home, as they can be so much benefited from the treatment which is afforded for a few days may cause an acute case to become chronic, and render the afflicted person incurable.

Another humane provision of the new law is the prohibition against keeping an insane person in jail, except in the case of a violent case, in extremely violent cases. Provision is made that the County Commission may communicate with the nearest hospital by telegraph or telephone for the admission of insane persons.

Another feature is that respecting voluntary patients. It provides that any resident of the state who is in the early stages of insanity, or believes himself about to become insane, or any epileptic person who is not insane, may make application to be admitted as a voluntary patient. The application may be made on behalf of any such person by any relative or friend or guardian, who may also make application on behalf of any idiot, imbecile or other incurable mental defective for his care and treatment in a state hospital and in the case of a violent case, voluntary patients will be received into the hospitals upon such terms and conditions as to the payment for their treatment and maintenance as they are agreed upon with the State Board of Control.

Provision is made for the discharge of patients from any of the hospitals, and for their release on parole, or on bond or otherwise. The law also makes full provision that in case any person confined in a hospital, or any relative or friend of such person, believes that he is not insane, may have prompt access to the courts for relief.

No private hospital for the care and treatment of the insane for compensation can be established without the permission of the State Board of Control. Any private hospital shall be subject to the inspection and control of that Board, which is given authority to revoke the permit for good cause after reasonable notice.

Another excellent provision is made for the readmission of persons into the hospitals, and that of laying a heavy penalty upon any physician who shall make a certificate respecting the sanity of any person without having made the examination as provided by law, and who shall make any statement in such certificate which is for the purpose of having any person declared insane; and also upon any person who shall maliciously attempt to have any person declared insane.

The new law contains provisions for the protection of patients in the hospitals, and of the grounds about them from trespassers, and the annoying of patients by outsiders. It also protects the female patients in these institutions by placing them in separate buildings, and makes offenders liable for imprisonment.

It is provided that when any person is committed to an asylum for

court shall appoint a guardian or committee for him, to take care of his property, and that the same shall be waived and lost.

The act as introduced into the Legislature provided that, beginning with the next fiscal year, which commences July 1, each county should pay back into the state treasury the amount of the salaries paid to patients from the counties to the extent of one-half of the actual cost of keeping and maintaining each patient in the hospital from the county. Before passing the bill the Legislature struck out some of the provisions, and there is now a double check upon the commission, who will be required to pay anything under the new law or not. If the counties are required to pay any thing for the care and maintenance of their patients, the amount could not exceed the actual cost to the county of the care and maintenance required to take action in each case to recover from the patient or his estate or from certain of his relatives who are able to pay the amount the county would be called upon to pay for him. Upon this subject the law is very plain, and it is now so drawn that no hardship will be imposed. As it has been for many years under the old law, there are a large number of persons supported in the state institutions for the insane who are unable to pay, and which they should pay, and which they should pay, and which they should pay.

From the nature of the case, the state authorities can not deal with the matter as the county authorities can. In the great majority of the states the counties are required to pay the cost of the maintenance of the patients in the hospitals for the insane, in a part thereof; and the State Tax Commission of 1902 recommended that our law be changed so as to produce this result. However, this is a matter that will not have to be undertaken by a later legislature, as in any event nothing could be done in any event before the county is tested from the counties until after July 1, 1916.

After the new law goes into effect, colored patients will be received only at the Weston Hospital, and the law provides that no patients of color will be received at Huntington Hospital except epileptics, same or insane, and idiots and imbeciles. All insane persons proper or er will thereafter be received only at Weston and Spencer. The State Board of Control, in consultation with the State Board of Health, the three state hospitals, has divided the state into two hospital districts, as follows:

Northern Hospital District.—This district will consist of the counties of Hancock, Berkeley, Boone, Randolph, Pocahontas, Morgan, Grant, Harrison, Lincoln, Clay, Hardy, Harrison, Jefferson, Lewis, Marion, Marshall, Mineral, Monongalia, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Preston, Randolph, Ritchie, Taylor, Wayne, Upshur, and Weir. All the insane, including colored insane, from these counties will go to the Weston Hospital; but the epileptics, idiots and imbeciles from these counties will go to the Huntington Hospital.

Southern Hospital District.—This district comprises the remaining counties, namely: Boone, Carroll, Calhoun, Fayette, Greenbrier, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, McDowell, Mason, Mercer, Mingo, Mineral, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Roane, Summers, Wayne, and West Virginia. All the insane, except the colored insane, from this district will go to Spencer; the colored insane from this district will go to the Weston Hospital; and the epileptics, idiots and imbeciles from this district will go to the Huntington Hospital.

The State Board of Control is issuing the new law, with rules and regulations and instructions, in pamphlet form, and the same will be supplied to the members of the county commissions of January, together with all the necessary printed blanks.

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MRS ELIZABETH MCCLINTIC

The subject of this memorial sketch was the second daughter of Dr. John Ligon and Mrs. Sallie G. Ligon, and was born in Pocahontas county, May 12, 1864; was married to Dr. F. T. McClintic, of Bath county, Va., Oct. 29, 1889. She was the mother of four daughters yet living, and Mrs. McClintic died at her home in Marlinton, W. Va., May 14, 1946, of acute disease, effect of long invalidism. These are the salient points in the history of a worthy and lovely woman who lived among us and has been transferred to the society of angels and saints made perfect, yea to the presence of the Lord Jesus, the Best of all. Between the important dates above how much transpired, of course beyond the limits of this brief mournful article which is a mere white flower cast upon the grave of one so much beloved by many.

"Elizabeth" was the elder sister in her father's family, the second having been removed by death, and as such loved and revered by her sisters and brother. She followed for some years the calling of teacher and was universally acceptable and successful. In the sacred precincts of the home she made after marriage, we will only enter so far as to say, the heart of her husband trusted in her and the four children rise to call her blessed. Herself springing from an old family, cultured, trained and wonderfully energetic, Mrs. McClintic trended naturally in the same direction, notwithstanding many years of frail and delicate health. But, she bravely, quietly stood at her post, never losing her grip on things until laid helpless on the bed of her last suffering. We would say to those who are the most stricken in this sad bereavement,—be comforted. It is well with your loved and departed, as it shall be well with all who trust and obey God, and are faithful to the end.

Mrs. McClintic was tenderly laid to rest on Saturday, May 15, in the family burying ground of the Ligans, under the religious conduct of the Rev. J. C. Horton, minister of the Episcopal church to which Mrs. McClintic belonged, and in which as devoted member "she hath done what she could."

It was the noon-tide of her life,
Distant the evening star.

Her morning had been beautiful,
And darkness seemed afar.

But, the lengthened shadows
gathered.

The twilight came so soon;

And our hearts grew sad and
troubled,

That her sun should set so soon.

But, Oh! the glorious morrow

Of sweetnes all untold;

The shining of her sun again,
And shining seven-fold.

Mrs. ANNA L. PRICE

Marlinton, W. Va.

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SECOND ANNUAL

Pocahontas Co. Exhibit of Farm Products At Marlinton, W. Va., October 1 and 2, 1915

Under Auspices of the Pocahontas County Agricultural Improvement Association

Premiums will be offered on the following Products

Rules, regulations, number and amount of premiums, and classification will be given in a Premium List to be published about September 1, 1915.

AGRICULTURE

For largest yield of Corn from one acre by any Corn Demonstrator.
For largest yield of Potatoes from a half acre by any Potato Demonstrator.
For the best 10 ears of white corn.
For the best 10 ears of yellow corn.
For the best bushel of potatoes.
Best 5 lb bundle of Soy Bean Hay—seed, stalk, and roots to be shown.
Best sheaf of Alfalfa Hay.
Best sheaf of Wheat.
Best peck of Buckwheat.
Sheaf of Timothy Hay.
For biggest stock beet or mangel.
Best sheaf of Clover Hay.
Best peck of Wheat.
Best peck of Oats.

FARM EXHIBITS

This includes anything and every thing grown on the Farm.
For the best individual Farm Exhibit from Greenbank District.
For the best individual Farm Exhibit from Huntersville District.
For the best individual Farm Exhibit from Edray District.
For the best individual Farm Exhibit from Levels District.
For the best individual Farm Exhibit.

from Pocahontas County

DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Best individual Home Wife Exhibit—to include Bread, Cake, Butter, Pickles, Preserves, Canned Fruits and Vegetables, Fancy Work, Needle Work, etc.
Best home woven carpet.
Best strip of home woven carpet.
Best pound of Butter.

HORTICULTURE

Best Plate of five Apples—any variety.
Best plate of five Peaches.
Best plate of five bunches Grapes.
Best plate of five Onions.
Best plate of five Tomatoes.
The largest Field Pumpkin.
Largest Winter Squash.
Largest Sweet Pumpkin.
Best plate of five home grown ginseng roots.
For the biggest and best Head of Cabbage.
Plate of five Peas.
Plate of five Quinces.
Plate of ten Plums.
Best pound of Honey.

SCHOOL EXHIBIT

To the Schools of any Magisterial District making best display of School Work and Agricultural Products.

ducta. This includes any hand-work, written lessons, drawing and agricultural booklets prepared in the schools. Agricultural products include anything from the fields, woods, orchards and gardens of the District. School work counts fifty per cent and agricultural products fifty per cent.

POULTRY

For the best pens of two hens and a rooster each of White and Barred Rocks, White and Brown Leghorns Rhode Island Red.

BOY'S and GIRL'S CLUB

EXHIBIT

Open only to Club Members of Pocahontas County

For the best all round showing from an acre of Corn. This is judged on yield, daily record book, written account and 10 ear exhibit of Corn.

For the best all round showing from an eighth acre of potatoes. Judged on yield, daily record book, written account and half-bushel exhibit of Potatoes.

Best 4 lb round showing by Poultry Club member.

Fastest 50 yard dash
Standing broad and high jumps
Running broad and high jumps
Chin the pole.

Suggestions earnestly solicited for Premium List to be issued September 1.

Minnehaha Springs Hotel

Minnehaha Springs, W. Va.

Season opens June 15th. - - Rates \$2.00 and \$2.50 by the day.
Special rates by the week or month.

The Hotel is new and nicely furnished; is situated in the Allegheny Mountains, at an elevation of over 2500 feet above the sea; is in the beautiful Knapp's Creek Valley of Pocahontas County. This fine stream flows through the hotel grounds, and furnishes good bass fishing. Minnehaha Springs is reached from the railroad at Marlinton, ten miles over a good automobile road.

The Baths and Water Cure

An especial attraction of this mountain resort is the pleasant, health-giving and health-restoring waters of the Minnehaha Springs. In volume, this Spring is almost a small river. Its tepid waters are carried to a modern, well arranged bath house, and a large swimming pool.

GILBERT WALKER, Proprietor.

Marlinton, Pocah

THE ALLEGHENY CLUB

Minnehaha Springs, June 28.—

The membership of the Club is increasing rapidly. H. M. Lockridge, vice-president of the Allegheny sportsmen's Association, has just returned from a two week visit to the northern part of the State and while away secured twenty new members for the Club. You will now find members in all parts of this state as well as in adjoining states.

W. H. Beiger, editor of the Mineral Daily News, A. E. Russell, H. G. Fisher and R. A. Welch, of Keyser, took lunch at the Club on Monday. They were on a motor trip taking in the famous resorts of the country.

S. R. Young, of Littleton; Mrs. J. J. Dorsey, of Fairmont, and W. B. Rector and wife of Belington, spent Monday and Tuesday at the Club. Mr. Rector is deputy game and fish warden and secretary of this association. They expect to return for a month's stay later in the season.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hite and a party of six from Fairmont, arrived at the Club Wednesday. They motored through from Fairmont via Cheat Club which is now under the same management as the Allegheny Club, making a fine stopping place for the members located on the crest of Cheat Mountain. Mr. Hite reported fine roads with a few exceptions; all the way through. He expects to return for a longer stay later in the season.

J. G. Monahan of Kansas City, Missouri, took lunch at the Club Wednesday. He was delighted with such a fine Club house and the beautiful surroundings.

Dr. E. B. Hill, Wm. Gibson, of Marlinton, Dr. T. O. Flanagan of Hinton, and Patrick O'Gay, of Cleveland, Ohio, took lunch at the Club on Wednesday. They were on an automobile trip through Virginia, and returned to the Club on Friday. They reported a very successful and beautiful trip through the mountains.

Mrs. W. A. Bratton and her daughters, Misses Guy and Sue, of Marlinton, are spending the week at Pino Crest Lodge, taking their meals at the Club.

Judge Chas. S. Dice, R. M. Bell and W. S. Coursey, of Lewisburg, and A. N. Stothart of Augusta, Ga., spent the week end at the Club.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Hartwell, Mrs. Maggie Auldridge and M. L. Garnett, of Denmar, motored up to the Club for dinner Sunday evening.

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SCHOOL REPORT

The third month of the Fairview school closed January 1, 1915, with an enrollment of 17. W. A. Hively, teacher—Those neither absent nor tardy during the month were Hulda Sharp, Viola Johnson, Laura Morgan, Norman Sharp, Porter Sharp, Ward Sharp, Emerson Sharp, Randal Sharp, French Johnson, Reed Johnson, Alva Johnson.

We cordially invite the patrons to visit our school at any time and see what we are trying to do.

Report of the Maco school for month ending January 8, 1915. P. W. Crickard, teacher. Number of pupils enrolled 17. Pupils present every day; Forrest Mace, Chester Mace, Bryan Louk, John Louk, Ona Louk, Deisie Louk. All are cordially invited to visit our school.

Honor Roll for the fourth month of the Dunmore Graded School.

Room 1—A. B. Hoke, teacher. Maud Galford, Margaret—Pritchard, Lottie—Edmiston, Grace Curry, Jean Pritchard, Dorsie Geiger, Maybell Galford, Kyle Curry, Mollie—McLaughlin, Nelie McLaughlin, Innie Shinaberry.

Room 2—Mrs. Verdie B. Mann, teacher.—Goldie Shinaberry, Clarissa Taylor, Veda Carpenter, Leta McLaughlin, Genevieve Noel Mabel Smith, Nellie Galford, Lena Duffey, Kemp Taylor, Edwin Noel, Laddie Yago, James Yago, Carlon Pritchard, Marvin McLaughlin, Claude Carpenter.

School Department

READING CIRCLE

The Greenbank Reading Circle for the Upper District will meet at Durbin, Saturday, February 6, beginning at 10-30 a. m. The program is as follows:

Reading, Miss Clara Rightmire
Literature in the Lower Grades, Miss Stromstand

Literature in Upper Grades, G. B. Lanham

School Library, C. F. Hull

Grammar, E. E. Lester

Language, Miss Madge Arbogast

Composition, Miss Emma Howard

Means of Self Education, Miss Ruth Wolfe

These subjects are all taken from Barnes' "English in the Country School." Come out, teachers, and help make this an interesting meeting.

Mrs E. K. Nevitt, Chairman
L. McGraw, Secretary.

READING CIRCLE

The fifth meeting of the Reading Circle of Levelton District will be held at Hillsboro, Saturday, February 13, 2 p. m. A study will be made of chapters 13, 14 and 15. The subjects treated are physiology and hygiene, agriculture and subject matter. The following assignments are made for the meeting:

The relative importance of anatomy, physiology and hygiene, J. H. Lantz

The sanitary problems of the school house and how to meet them, T. A. Bruffey

How can we carry the health crusade into the homes of the children, Miss Margaret Lane

The value of a study of agriculture, Clifton E. Gurd
How secure data and materials for study, Edmund D. McGarry
Practical problems—agriculture class may aid in solving, J. B. Grimes

Describe the workings of an agricultural club, Ezra Wooddell
The relation of teacher to subject matter and to pupil, Miss Amy Hall

A comparison of the utilitarian and cultural values, Miss Minnie J. Merrells

What principles should guide in the organization of a course of study, A. W. Hill.
W. E. Scott, Chairman.

Honor Roll for Stony Bottom school for fourth month.—Annie L. Sullivan, teacher. Mabel Beverage, Mary Bailey, Mabel Geiger, Marie Geiger, Mabel Meeks, Mary Carpenter, Trudie Shinaberry, Genevieve Shinaberry, Eula Tallman, Marvin McLaughlin, Edgar Shinaberry, Dennis Tallman. Per cent of attendance 98.
Lower room.—Olive N. Hamrick, teacher. Staci McLaughlin, Hunter Shinaberry, Gebhart Geiger, Carl Shields, Stanley McLaughlin, Ellen Townsend, Ruby

Bailey, Della Shields.

Report of Pine Grove school for fourth month ending January 22.—E. C. Smith, teacher. Cecil Curry, Allen Cochran, Dennis Barlow, Ward Barlow, Guy Barlow, Gay Sharp, Lilly Sharp, Bettie Clay Sharp.

I am requested by the board of education of Levelton district to say to the teachers of that district that the Rules and Regulations mentioned at the county institute and that should be placed in the hands of each teacher by the secretary, are to be carried out in detail by the teachers of the district, and that failure to do so will be considered a noncompliance with their contract. The county financial secretary will sign no illegal order and I therefore notify the teachers and all other persons receiving school orders that I shall hold all orders that I consider illegal and shall not issue or countersign any order that is not according to contract or law.
B. B. Williams, Co. Supt.

To Teachers and others Interested:

Some very important school legislation is pending before this session of the Legislature. You are requested to write your Representative and Senator and any other member of the Legislature that may be in a position to help get any of the following bills through this session:

1. High School Bill making it necessary for the state to pay more for the support of the classified High Schools, or the full amount mentioned in the law.

2. Certificate Bill revising completely the schedule of certificates issued at this time and in my opinion one of the most important bills considered at this time.

3. Teachers' Pension Law for the old teachers rendering at least 25 or 30 years of continued service in the school room. This is considered a very legitimate and necessary.

4. Compulsory Attendance Law making it necessary to attend five days in every week or all the time for the full term, and extending the age limit to sixteen. Then there are quite a few more bills before the legislature such as "Clerical aid for the County Financial Secretary," "One trustee and about all his power vested in the board of education," "The County the Unit of Taxation," and "Free Text Books," and quite a budget of legislation that if passed will revolutionize the whole school system. You are requested to do what you can to get into law what you think of these that will help the school system. I can in a few days tell you more definitely just what is going to be done and what bills are being considered by the House. Others are only in

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MOTHER AND CHILDREN BURNED

One of the saddest occurrences in the whole history of the Greenbrier Valley was the burning to death of Mrs. George Doyle, her little daughter aged nine, and her son aged four, when their home at Cass was burned early Wednesday morning. She and her husband and their four children were asleep when Mr. Doyle was aroused by smoke in his room and found the whole house to be on fire. He roused his wife and told her to hand the children to him out of a window which was some some distance from the ground, the way through the door being cut off by fire. He let two of the children out of the window and then he jumped out, but his wife was overcome by the heat and could not hand out the other children nor come herself. Before being overcome she had gotten the children to the window. By the time Mr. Doyle had gotten a ladder to the window the building was entirely on fire and he was severely burned trying to get his wife and children. When the fire hose had come, little could be done other than save the adjoining buildings.

Mrs. Doyle was about thirty years of age. She was a daughter of P. S. Cutlip, of Riverside, and had been married to Mr. Doyle about ten years. She was a good, kind christian woman. The burial will be at the Cochran graveyard today. Services to be conducted by Rev. J. M. Walker, and the funeral will be in charge of the Royal Neighbor Lodge.

Mr. Doyle was brought to the Marlinton Hospital this morning.

The house was a one story, four roomed cottage, and belonged to Dr. J. W. Price, of Marlinton.

GEORGE K. GAY

By Rev. D. C. Hedrick

Geo. K. Gay entered into rest at his home on the morning of October 16, 1913, aged 65 years, five months, and six days. He was born May 10, 1849, at Doe Hill, Highland county, Virginia. When a small boy he moved with his parents to Pocahontas county, and in 1862 he moved to Buckhannon. On October 21, 1875, he was married to Mary Alice Darlow and to this union were born six children, Mrs. Lottie H. Anderson, Hoxie C., Henry R., Mrs. Clara K. Hill, Mrs. Grace D. Sexton and Miss Mabel E., all of whom survive him and all were here to pay the last tribute to his memory.

Fifty years ago at a revival at Old Stony Creek Church in Pocahontas county, he was "gloriously saved" and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was a faithful christian and taught a full salvation—saved to the uttermost—to all around him. No wonder he sang "Saved by Grace" as long as he had strength to sing. His life was a bright and happy christian life. I was in his home during his long illness more often than any other friend and I never heard him murmur or complain. I never saw a more patient sufferer and his sufferings were terrible. Oh, those long nights of agony that he endured with such christian fortitude! Nothing but the grace of God could have sustained him so nobly. He was so devoted to and thoughtful for his wife who had been an invalid for three years. In the midst of his sufferings he was thinking of her and wanting that as little pain and sorrow should come to her as could be avoided.

He so often praised God for such kind and loving children. They were so devoted and tender with him and he was so appreciative for it all. His great desire was that their lives might be such as would lead them to the heavenly mansions where he was surely going. When he came back from the hospital in Baltimore where they told him that his case was beyond their skill, he said to me:

"I have put my case in the hands of the Great Physician and whatever he wills is right." A few days before his home going he said, "I have tried to live the 23rd Psalm," and I repeated it, he kept shouting God's praises with his face just beaming. Oh, for more of such lives! Then when death comes it will only be "the valley of the shadow of death"—just a d falling asleep in Jesus with a sweet smile on the face; such a calm and peaceful going was his. He left three sisters, Mrs. Ruth L. J. Moore, Mrs. Martha Baxter, Mrs. Josephine Mann, and one brother A. R. Gay. His prayer for them was that they might live true christian lives and so be prepared to meet God at his coming. He loved to be in the house of God here, and especially in the class meetings. He had not been able to be there for a long time, but he is now in a love feast with the dear Redeemer and his dear ones gone before and were waiting for him on the other shore. Oh, what a blessed reunion! May our dear heavenly Father give peace and comfort to his bereaved friends, as He alone can.

R. THE OLDEST POSTMASTER

By Andrew Price in the Postmaster Everywhere.

We constantly see claims advanced as to the oldest and youngest postmaster and other claims to notoriety. I was in the low lands not long since and I heard of the claim of a postmaster who had been appointed by President Grant. He allowed he was certainly the oldest postmaster in point of service in West Virginia, if not in the whole world. But to these claims we had to say that he was a mere youngster to one that we have in Pocahontas county, West Virginia, who was appointed by President Pierce, in 1846, and who has recently been reappointed for another term of four years.

The postmaster for whom we advance the claim is George P. Moore, of Edray, West Virginia. His term of service has suffered one break. He was deprived of the office for a year or two during President Cleveland's first term, but with the exception of this short hiatus, his service has been continuous.

I wrote him to send me his first commission and he did so and on the faded paper, I read as follows:

E PLURIBUS UNUM

James Campbell, Postmaster General of the United States of America, to all who shall see these presents, Greeting:

Whereas, On the 5th day of August, 1856, George P. Moore was appointed postmaster at Edray in the county of Pocahontas, State of Virginia; and whereas he did on the 5th day of August, 1856, execute a bond, and has taken the oath of office as required by law.

Now Know Ye, That, confiding in the integrity, ability and punctuality of the said George P. Moore, I do commission him a postmaster, authorized to execute the duties of that office at Edray aforesaid, according to the laws of the United States, and the regulations of the postoffice department: To hold the said office of postmaster with all the powers, privileges, and emoluments to the same of belonging during the pleasure of the Postmaster-General of the United States.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the postoffice department at Washington City, the tenth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty-first.

JAMES CAMPBELL.

FIRE AT CASS

Two buildings belonging to Max Curry, burned down Wednesday afternoon, and a barber shop of J. W. Herbert badly damaged. Damage was done to buildings of J. W. Brill, Finger Seigle Co., and Jacob Cooper which stood on the opposite side of the street. The fire originated in the second story of the building occupied by Curry's store, and as a residence. The adjoining building belonging to Mr. Curry was occupied by the Cass Jewelry Store, a pool room and as a residence. The loss may possibly reach \$20,000, partially covered by insurance.

Marlinton, Pocahontas

A SAD OCCURENCE

On the morning of February 3, 1915, at 3:30 o'clock, Geo. W. Doyle and family, living at Cass, were awakened and found their house on fire and to their horror the flames were sweeping the walls of the room they were sleeping in. Mr. Doyle was sleeping with two children and his wife was sleeping with two in the same room.

They both got up about the same time. Mr. Doyle being almost overcome with fire and smoke grabbed the two children out of the bed farthest away from the window, and with not a moment to lose, jumped out of the window, telling his wife to follow him and that he would save the other two children. Instead of jumping out on the porch as he thought, he got to the wrong window and jumped eight feet. As he jumped he heard his wife say that she would die with her children. He grabbed a ladder which was nearby and got back to the window, but in jumping so far he fell and dislocated one arm so he could not use it, and as the flames were then sweeping through the window it was impossible to save his wife and children. His sister, Miss Ada Doyle, living nearby was the first to arrive to witness this sad scene. In a short time a throng of people had gathered, but nothing could be done then but to keep the fire from the adjoining building, which is a very large building belonging to Miss Ada Doyle. The house burned was a four room cottage belonging to Dr. J. W. Price. How the fire started is yet unknown.

The following day Mr. Doyle was brought to the Marlinton Hospital with wounded hands and feet but in a few days was able to be out. His two little girls, Ethel and Claris, which he saved from the fire, are now in the Marlinton Hospital being treated for pneumonia which was brought on by exposure on the night of the fire. The little girls are getting a long very nicely.

Mrs. Doyle was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Outlip, formerly of Lobelia, and at the time of her death was 24 years of age. Instead of Mrs. Doyle being in

she was in good health at the time of her death.

Mr. Doyle moved to Cass last May, and has been a partner in business there with his sister, Miss Ada.

This sad accident has shocked the whole community and Mr. Doyle and relatives have the sympathy of everyone wherever they are known.

The bodies of Mrs. Jessie M. Doyle, her little daughter, Charlotte Edith, aged 8 years, and little son, Clarence Jollison, aged two years and nine months, were placed in one casket, and in charge of the Royal Neighbor Lodge of Marlinton, were borne to the Cochran cemetery, and there laid to rest to await the call of God.

Mrs. Doyle was a good, earnest christian woman, and a member of the Missionary Baptist Church.

Thus has closed the life of a devoted wife, a dear, good mother and a loving sister. Also it has closed the lives of two bright, intelligent little children.

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HILLSBORO HIGH

Dr. G. W. Banks, pastor of the
First Methodist Church, South, of
Charleston, will preach the com-
mencement sermon before the sen-
ior class on Sunday, May 30, at
10:30 a. m. in the Methodist Epis-
copal church, south. In the even-
ing he will deliver his lecture
"Through Fallstine on Horse
back."

Mr. J. Frank Marsh, Secretary
of the State Board of Regents,
will deliver the commencement
address on Monday, May 31, at
8 p. m. in the high school audi-
itorium. A scholarship has been
offered to the senior class by the
Washington and Lee University
of Lexington, Va. Another schol-
arship has been offered to the
girls of the senior class, providing
expenses to either a state normal
school, or the West Virginia
University.

The Hillsboro High School was
placed on the list of accredited
high schools of the Southern States
by the Southern States Committee
at their last meeting in Charlotte-
ville, Va.

Dr. Allen, the president of
Davis and Elkins College, will ad-
dress the High School body with-
in the next few days.

With the Christmas money the
following pictures were purchased
Hoffmann's Head of Christ and
The Masterborn.

The Shakespeare society has
purchased The Windmill; the
Browning society, Jones' War-
der's Hope. Both will be hung
in their society hall.

The officers of the senior class
are William Cackley, president;
Ulric Grimes, vice-president; Hal-
lie Burr, secretary and Ruth
Kline, treasurer.

On Friday the 19th Hinton H.
S. girls played an interesting and
lively game of basket ball with the
Hillsboro high girls. The score
was 16 to 10 in favor of the home
team. The line up was:

Hinton—Beas Lane, Nell Saun-
dera, Litzinger, Paulser, Zora Hunt.
Hillsboro—Nora Kidd, Lucy
McLaughlin, Ruth Kline, Esther
Hefner, Marie Kirk. Subs, Eva

month:—Eva Beard, Hallie Burr,
Bradford Grimes, Marion Hill,
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ance, Cornelia Marshall, Lucy
McLaughlin, Polly Sydenstricker
Orlena Vaughan, Carl Bruffey,
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shall Fuller, Dice Grimes, Ulric
Grimes, Ross Hufford, Henry
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Moore, Julian Nottingham, Guy
Overholt, Lynn Overholt, Moffett
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